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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Katsura ITO and Hiroyuki HAGIHARA
PHOTOCATALYTIC POWDER, PHOTOCATALYTIC SLURRY, AND
POLYMER COMPOSITION, COATING AGENT, PHOTOCATALYTIC
FUNCTIONAL MOLDED ARTICLE AND PHOTOCATALYTIC
FUNCTIONAL STRUCTURE USING THE POWDER
Assignee: SHOWA DENKO K.K.
Our Ref: Q78609

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/839,418 (Confirmation No.2402) filed April 23, 2001 of Katsura ITO and Hiroyuki HAGIHARA entitled PHOTOCATALYTIC POWDER, PHOTOCATALYTIC SLURRY, AND POLYMER COMPOSITION, COATING AGENT, PHOTOCATALYTIC FUNCTIONAL MOLDED ARTICLE AND PHOTOCATALYTIC FUNCTIONAL STRUCTURE USING THE POWDER.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1754.

Priority and benefit are claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2001-037799	02-15-2001
Japan	2000-120229	04-21-2000
U.S. Provisional	60/270,156	02-21-2001

The priority document(s) were filed in parent Application No. 09/839,418.

A copy of a sworn English translation of the provisional application upon which a claim for benefit is based is enclosed herewith.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>34</u> - 20	= <u>14</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$252.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>2</u> - 3	= <u> </u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>



Base Fee	<u>\$770.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee	<u>\$290.00</u>
TOTAL FILING FEE	<u>\$1312.00</u>

A check for the statutory fee of \$1312.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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